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ABSTRACT

This annotated bibliography is a compilation of books, articles, ERIC documents, and dissertations on censorship and intellectual freedom that were published between 1976 and 1988, representing approximately 50 authors. Its target audience includes librarians, English teachers, journalists, and laypeople. One third of the 60 entries include annotations that describe the incident that prompted the writing of the article or book, quote from the material, or briefly summarize its content. Entries focus on censorship issues: (1) in public, school, and academic libraries together with the role of librarians; (2) related to textbooks and school curricula; (3) in school publications; (4) in the media; and (5) on a government level. (SD)

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The following authors have published articles and/or books during the years 1976-88 relating to censorship and intellectual freedom that should be of interest to librarians, English teachers, journalist, and laymen.

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Broderick is a popular writer and speaker on behalf of IF, particularly as it relates to YAs.

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Well known IF advocate: "The watchdogs advocating censorship are becoming more vocal in their desire to build a wall around society's

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Judith Krug is Director, Office of Intellectual Freedom, American Library Association.

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